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Sir:

Corrections in claim 15 have been made in order to expedite the allowed application onto publication.

Examiner's Amendment is hereby attached.

Wilson Lee  
Primary Examiner  
Art Unit: 2163

### **EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT**

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Randol Read on 9/12/06.

In claim 15, on line 1, change "claim 16" to --claim 12--; on line 2, change "the substrate" to --a substrate--.

### **Correspondence**

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Examiner Wilson Lee whose telephone number is (571) 272-1824.

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